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SUBJ: EGYPT AIR HIJACKING; UNKNOWN GROUP CLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY

1. ITEM IN LOCAL PRESS OF AUGUST 24 REPORTS THAT INDIVIDUALS CLAIMING BELONG TO "PALESTINE REVOLUTION MOVEMENT" TELEPHONED REUTERS OFFICE IN KUWAIT YESTERDAY TO CLAIM RESPONSIBILITY FOR ABORTIVE HIJACKING OF EGYPTAIR PLANE IN LUXOR. FOLLOWING CALL TO REUTERS, INDIVIDUALS RANG UP VARIOUS NEWSPAPER OFFICERS WITH SAME CLAIM.

2. CALLERS, WHO APPARENTLY WERE UNAWARE THAT EGYPTIAN TROOPS HAD ALREADY STORMED AIRCRAFT, PASSED ALONG A STATEMENT THREATENING GOE TO ANSWER DEMANDS OF HIJACKERS OR FACE CONSEQUENCES. STATEMENT REPORTEDLY ALSO ALLEGED THAT THE HIJACKING WAS FIRST IN A SERIES TO PROVE THAT THE LEBANESE CIVIL WAR HAS NOT FINISHED OFF THE PALESTINE REVOLUTION.

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3. COMMENT : IT MAY BE WORTH NOTING THAT THIS SAME METHOD,

I.E. TELEPHONE CALL TO LOCAL RUETERS OFFICE, WAS USED BY INDIVIDUALS CLAIMING TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF PFLP AND ASSERTING PFLP RESPONSIBILITY FOR AIR FRANCE HIJACKING JUNE 27. THAT PHONE CALL, HOWEVER, PURPORTEDLY, ORIGINATED IN DAMASCUS. EMBASSY HAS NO RECORD OF ANY UEPERATE GROUP NAMED "PALESTINE REVOLUTION MOVEMENT" IN EXISTENCE KUWAIT.
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